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TO THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ESTABLISHMENTS

SUBJECT: Submission of additional schedule on public works

This Bulletin supplements Circular No. A-11 for this fiscal year only.

In accordance with Section 85 of that Circular, relating to public works and improvement programs, agencies are requested to submit an additional schedule on public works to supplement the information submitted on Schedules 85A, 85B, and 85C. The schedule is designed to supply certain items of information, heretofore lacking, needed for a catalog of Federal projects and analysis of project planning.

A copy of the schedule (exhibit 85D) is attached, with instructions for the preparation and submission of the estimates.

Agencies are expected to submit the schedule on the basis of information now available to them; it is not intended that additional information will be requested from State and local sources for purposes of this Bulletin.

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Attachment

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Instructions for the Preparation and Submission of Schedule 85D, Relating to Federal Public Works Projects

Certain additional information on Federal public works is needed for analysis and planning purposes. It will supplement the public works information submitted on Schedules 85A, 85B, and 85C. The additional information will be submitted on Schedule 85D. Its usefulness is dependent upon its full coordination with that submitted on Schedules 85A, 85B, and 85C.

Schedules 85A, 85B, and 85C provide, on an individual project basis, information relating to authorization, location, type, cost, availability of funds, status of preliminary surveys and detailed plans, annual expenditures on projects under construction, and a six-year advance construction program proposed by the agencies. Schedule 85D will provide estimates of the time which would be needed, under an assumption of availability of funds and staff, to bring plans and other preparatory arrangements to a stage where work could be started on a project, if desired. Schedule 85D differs, therefore, from Schedules 85A and 85B, which relate to the status of surveys and plans under regular programs financed from available funds and from funds requested for the budget year. The assumption of "availability of funds and staff" to be used in the preparation of Schedule 85D in no way affects the policies or assumptions used by the agencies in the submission of the annual budget estimates this fall.

Time for submittal and number of copies

Estimates on Schedule 85D shall be submitted to the Bureau of the Budget on or before November 16, 1953. Six copies are required.

Coverage of Schedule 85D

The estimates submitted on Schedule 85D are required only for those direct Federal public works projects or major features of projects on which initiation of work is programmed by the agency on Schedule 85C in fiscal year 1955 or later years, either by force account or by contract construction. The schedule does not apply to (a) projects under construction on which all major contracts have been awarded or will be awarded by the end of fiscal year 1954, (b) projects designated as "in inactive status" on Schedule 85C, or (c) Federal grant and loan programs.

Columns 1 and 2. Priority, name and location of project

Projects shall be listed on Schedule 85D in the same order and according to the same priority rating and types of categories as on Schedule 85C. Information on location of the project shall be given according to State, county, and city or town, where practicable. For a project not located in a city, the State and county shall be indicated, with any other pertinent identification (e.g., the location of a flood control project may be given by State, county, and river or creek). If a project is located in one or more States, counties or cities, all shall be listed.

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Columns 3, 4, and 5. Months required after funds and staff are available

For purposes of this schedule it shall be assumed that there is no delay in the starting of construction of a project because of authorization or financial problems; adequate authorizations, funds and staff are assumed to be available. The estimates submitted in each of the columns 3, 4, and 5, therefore, will indicate the time required from the time that authorization, funds, and staff become available up to the stage indicated by the column instructions.

For projects or features on which planning, land acquisition or other arrangements have been started (but on which all major contracts have not been awarded), the estimates shall indicate the time required after January 1, 1954, on the assumptions stated above.

Column 3—For each project or feature, the estimate shall indicate the number of months required by a qualified planning staff to plan the individual project or feature to the stage where construction could be started by force account or a major contract could be awarded. It is recognized that the estimates will be on a project or feature basis rather than on a program basis; i.e., while there may be listed 50 projects on each of which planning could be completed in 2 months, this would not mean that all 50 of the projects would be planned simultaneously within a two-month period. Thus, the estimates will not reflect a determination as to priority in the planning of projects, and could not be added up to a meaningful total.

Column 4—The estimate shall indicate the number of months which would be required to carry arrangements or negotiations for land acquisition to the stage where work could be started. This estimate shall be made on the assumption that the agency will follow the same policy in negotiating for required lands which it normally follows. If the agency has possession of the land or if land is not needed (e.g., most channel dredging projects), a zero shall be placed in column 4. If a definitive answer cannot be made with respect to time required for land arrangements, an estimated average length of time required for projects of this type shall be indicated. Where the agency has information to indicate that negotiations may be prolonged on a project beyond the average length of time, a rough approximation shall be made of the time required to bring the negotiations to a stage where the work could be started.

Column 5—The estimate shall reflect the number of months required for planning and land acquisition, as entered in columns 3 and 4, as well as time required for other arrangements, such as obtaining necessary State and local cooperation (including relocations), negotiation of contracts with water users, time required to start work after the contract has been awarded, and related factors. In any case, the period indicated shall be no earlier than the later of the two dates indicated in columns 3 and 4.

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Columns 6, 7, 8 and 9. Other construction or facilities required to make project effective

Information requested in columns 6, 7, 8 and 9 is needed to indicate the existence of two other types of problems which would have to be considered in the decision to start a project. The estimates shall be approximations based on information now available to the agency.

Columns 6 and 7--These columns shall indicate the types and estimated cost of other Federal construction, if any, which would ultimately be required to make this project effective (e.g., transmission lines to distribute power from hydroelectric power plants).

Columns 8 and 9--These columns shall indicate the types and estimated cost of facilities, if any, which State and local governments would ultimately have to furnish to make the project effective (e.g., roads, sewage facilities, schools, and fire protection).

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EXHIBIT 85D

SCHEDULE SHOWING STATUS OF FEDERAL PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS
IN RELATION TO ESTIMATED TIME REQUIRED FOR STARTING

Appropriation title _____ Bureau _____ Agency _____

Agency priority	Name and location of project (Specify State, county, and city or town)	Months required after funds and staff are available			Construction required by other Federal agencies to make project effective		State and local facilities required to make project effective	
		To bring planning to stage where work could be started	To carry land acquisition arrangements to stage permitting start of work	To start work at site	Type	Cost (estimate)	Type	Cost (estimate)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	1. Authorized projects							
	2. Projects not yet authorized							

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